

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
John, Varghese, et al. )  
Application No.: 09/594,978 ) Group No. 1653  
Filed: 6/15/00 ) Examiner: D. Lukton  
For: Dipeptide Inhibitors of  $\beta$ -Secretase )  
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Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Response to Restriction Requirement and Election of Species

Dear Sir:

This reply is in response to the Office Action mailed 08/28/01 for the above-captioned application. This response is being filed on or before its due date of 29 October, 2001, with a one-month extension of time.

Election:

Applicants elect the claims of Group 2 (i.e. those compounds encompassed by subgenera G2) for examination, noting that the method of use claims encompassed by the subgeneric structure may be rejoined if allowable claims are identified.

Applicants also elect the species represented by Example 23,